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FOR PETTIPAW FROM AGATT

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TAGS: EAGR, OTRA, AR

SUBJECT: VISIT TO WASHINGTON OF ARGENTINE SECRETARY OF
AGRICULTURE LUCIO G. RECA

REF: TELCON FROM PETTIPAW OF 1/13/76

1. AGATT CALLED SECRETARY RECA WITH INFORMATION THAT LUNCHEON SET WITH SECRETARY BUTZ AND TO ALSO ASK HIM WHO ELSE HE WISHED TO SEE AT USDA. HE CONFIRMED HIGH PRIORITY IN SEEING APHIS AND ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN DISCUSSING INTERNATIONAL GRAIN AND MEAT TRADE MATTERS WITH USDA. INFORMED HIM THAT ARGENTINE EMBASSY WOULD HAVE HIS APPOINTMENTS SCHEDULE. BIO DATA FORWARDED VIA POUCH AND INTERNATIONAL MAIL. ALSO SEE AR 5027 OF SEPTEMBER 10.

2. IN SEPARATE BUT SOME WHAT RELATED MATTER, AGATT CALLED ON ALBERTO DE LAS CARRERAS, PRESIDENT, ASSOCIACION DE INDUSTRIAS ARGENTINAS DE CARNES WHO DISCUSSED WORLD MEAT CONGRESS SCHEDULED FOR BUENOS AIRES AUGUST 3-6, 1976. ORGANIZERS WOULD LIKE USDA POLICY LEVEL PARTICIPANT AS WELL AS EITHER GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATE WORLD MEAT MARKETING SPECIALIST. RECA MAY BRING UP SUBJECT WITH BUTZ. CONGRESS IS SCHEDULED TO COINCIDE WITH PALERMO LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION AND SPONSORED BY OPIC. ORGANIZERS WOULD LIKE HIGH LEVEL US PARTICIPATION

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3. PROBABLE POINTS THAT RECA COULD RAISE DURING DISCUSSION WITH SECRETARY BUTZ AND OTHER USDA OFFICIALS WOULD INCLUDE MEAT INSPECTION AND CLOSURE OF CORDOBA PLANTS, USDA COOPERATION IN ANTI-AFTOSA PROGRAM, AND WORLD GRAIN AND MEAT TRADE.

4. AMBASSADOR HILL PLANNING TO OFFER LUNCHEON FOR SECRETARY RECA PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE AND WILL RELAY ANY ADDITIONAL POINTS IF RECA RAISES THEM. ALSO, RECA PROMISED TO CALL AGATT PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE.
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